

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the opportunity to discuss this matter during the Examiner interview on March 22, 2004.

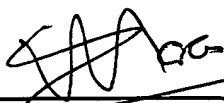
As agreed during the Examiner interview, claims 1 and 17 have been amended to include the limitation wherein “said output sample rate is capable of being varied to any one of said plurality of differing output sample rates for any output data sample” and claims 12 and 23 have been amended to include the limitation wherein “said different sample rate is capable of being varied at any output data sample.”

Applicant respectfully submits that all rejections have been addressed and that the claims are now in a condition for allowance, which is earnestly solicited.

If a further telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact André Marais at (408) 947-8200 ext. 204.

Respectfully submitted,
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